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APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR THE

SYNCHRONIZATION OF AN ASYNCHRONOUS SIGNAL IN SYNTHESIS AND SIMULATION OF A

CLOCKED CIRCUIT

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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

According to 37 C.F.R. §1.97(b)

Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.56 and the requirements of 37 C.F.R. §1.98, Applicant respectfully requests that a citation and examination of the references identified on the attached PTO 1449 form be made during the course of examination of the above-identified application for United States Patent.

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REMARKS

The attached PTO 1449 form lists related art references for the above identified application, including those identified in the International Search Report, copy of which is enclosed herewith.

EXPLANATION OF RELEVANCE

References AA-AE and AJ were cited in the International Search Report.

All references are in English, so no further commentary on their teaching is necessary.

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